

Merry Christmas to All



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After searching for each other for two weeks in Honolulu, two brothers finally met. They are Cpl. HARRY B. GREEN and MORRISON GREEN, both sons of Mrs. Fred Mitte. Corporal Green is the historian in the Army Air Corps and Morrison Green is on a cable repair ship which takes him to all sorts of interesting spots in the Pacific. Both boys had plenty to talk about.

When NORMAN E. BROWN, CHRIS JORGENSEN and several other boys at Washington Union High School around 1932 spent part of their lunch hour every day practicing Morse code, little did they realize how important a part it would come to play in their service to Uncle Sam. In 1941 Norman volunteered and was sent to Fort Lewis in the Field Artillery Battalion. At first he drove a truck carrying ammunition. Later volunteers were asked for the radio department and, although it had been several years since he had practiced, after a few weeks of training he was riding around with the C.O., receiving from and sending messages to the big guns. In January of this year he went to England and landed in Normandy on June 12. His gun was the first to fire across the Cherbourg Peninsula and into the city. It was also first to fire into Germany with the First Army from Belgium. He is now technician fourth grade.

Pvt. CHARLES LIDIKAY, who has almost completed his training at a gunnery school in Las Vegas, is expected home around January 1. There are four other boys from the C. L. Lidikay family in Irvington who are in the service: Pfc. DEWEY SMALLEY, at Fort Sill; HA 3/c CLYDE SMALLEY, at the Alameda Naval Air Station; S/Sgt. ROBERT SMALLEY, at present in China; and S/Sgt. RICHARD LIDIKAY, who is at Westover Field. He is a crew chief in the Air Corps, and has been in the Army for four years.

Second Lieut. ARTHUR C. KIMBER now gets his mail at Columbia, S. C.

According to Mrs. Jack Silva her son, JACK SILVA JR., SK 3/c, and RUFUS LEBON, AM 2/c, are seeing a great deal of each other in Honolulu. It has been the first time they'd met since graduating from Washington High together in 1942.

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy (Special to The Register).—Staff Sergeant WILLIAM A. BORBA, 22, of Niles, Calif., recently was awarded the bronze star for heroic achievement in action in northern Italy. He has been promoted from private first class since the action.

Borba serves as a squad leader in the 361st Regiment, 91st "Powder River" Division of Lieut. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army.

A farmer before entering the service in November, 1942, Borba holds the purple heart for wounds received in action.

His father, Antonio Borba, lives in Niles.

Pvt. CHARLES MARRIOTT is expected home on January 5. He has been stationed at Pullman, Washington.

SAME OLD SANTA

Same old Santa, same old joys,
Same old dolls and sleds and toys;
Same old holly, same old tree,
Same old gifts for cherubs wee;
Same old carol, same old light,
Same old stocking hung at night;
Same old words of merry cheer,
Same good wishes for the year
Same old Christmas! Seems to be
That's the way it ought to be.

LOTS WETTER THIS YEAR

We're still way ahead of the rainfall this year, with the rainfall gauge at the S.P. depot standing at 7.62 inches. Last year at this time it was 3.03 inches.

VARIED PROGRAM MARKS MEN'S CLUB BANQUET

Washington Township Men's Club enjoyed an excellent turkey banquet at the women's clubhouse in Centerville last Tuesday, the dinner being prepared by members of the Country Club of Washington Township under the chairmanship of Mrs. E. H. Hirsch, president.

An enjoyable program was presented under chairmanship of Jack Boyd, who had secured for the evening three radio musicians.

Business was conducted by President Warren Gravestock following the dinner. Resolutions were read by Judge Allen Norris in memory of recently deceased members: Frank T. Dusterberry, Fred Reeder, and C. T. Hygelund.

Nominated for next year's officers by unanimous vote were: president, Tom Maloney; vice-president, Loren Marriott; secretary, A. J. Petsche; treasurer, J. E. Dutra.

Nominated for membership in the club were: A. Alameda, Robert Moore, L. R. Batman, Fred Joyce and George C. Roeding Jr.

Speaker of the evening was I. W. Collins, chief engineer in charge of operations of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

His subject was, "What Has Been Done Toward the War Effort by the P. G. & E.?" He told of the magnitude of the activities of the company, which operates in 46 of California's 48 counties.

The utility company, he said, has been called upon by the government to perform seemingly impossible tasks. Unprecedented demands have been placed upon the company's facilities. New plants and lines have been built to serve war industry here on the Coast. The company has always managed to meet requirements.

He illustrated the difficulties involved. One of the company's most vital gas lines was appropriated by government order for an oil line. The P. G. & E. relinquished this line—and continued to supply gas normally carried in it.

Some time ago, Collins said, power equipment was taken from one of the company's electric plants for shipment to Russia to partially compensate for loss of the Dnieperpetrovsk plant which was destroyed prior to loss to the then-advancing Germans. And the P. G. & E. found means to continue its service despite the loss of its equipment to Russia.

The talk was rich with illustration and anecdote and gave club members a clearer picture of the magnitude of war production on the Coast.

Following Collins' talk colored motion pictures were shown.

CHRISTMAS POEM

The time draws near the birth of Christ.

The moon is hid; the night is still;

The Christmas bells from hill to hill

Answer each other in the mist.

Four voices from four hamlets round.

From far and near, on mead and moor,

Swell out and fall, as if a door

Were shut between me and the sound.

Each voice four changes on the wind,

That now dilate, and now decrease,

Peace and good-will, good-will and peace,

Peace and good-will, to all mankind.

—Tennysen.

SILENT NIGHT COMPOSED BECAUSE OF HUNGRY MICE

Because mice had eaten the bellows of a church organ, one of our most beloved Christmas hymns, "Silent Night, Holy Night," came into being.

Father Josef Mohr, greatly troubled when he discovered what the mischievous rodents had done to the only means of providing Christmas music, took himself to the hilltop. As he stood there at midnight, gazing off over the white, silent world below him, it came to him that it might have been just such a silent night that the Christ child was born. Inspired as he was, he returned home and wrote the words to the famous Christmas hymn.

For the music, he went to his old schoolmaster, Franz Gruber, who, on his guitar, first played the sweet strains.

12-PAGE FOLDER OF TOWNSHIP TO APPEAR SOON

Washington Township in the near future will receive a gift from the Metropolitan Oakland Area Association of a 12-page folder advertising the township. Cost and complete production of the folder will be handled by the association.

Word of this unprecedented promotional gift was received last week by George C. Roeding Jr., representing Washington Township in the association. Roeding and Jack Rees are members of the metropolitan group.

The folder comes as a result of work of the Washington Township Planning Committee, which has sought co-operation of the Metropolitan Oakland group in publicizing the township.

The folder will contain pictures of industry, agriculture and other features of the entire township.

Members of the planning committee were called to a meeting Tuesday by Chairman Jack Rees to discuss content of the folder. Attending were Rees, A. J. Petsche, Edward E. Enos, and L. R. Batman. They decided that at least one photograph representing each community in the township should be used. Caption material with these photographs will cover generally all interest and activities of the township.

ALVARADO EAGLES INITIATE MEMBERS

Twenty were initiated into the Alvarado Aerie of Eagles this week, chief credit for the large class of initiates being given to Charles Francisco of Livermore, district deputy. Joe Martin, president, was in charge. Visitors from Livermore attended.

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT MAPLE HALL

A Christmas party and storytelling hour was given at Maple Hall this week by the Rosarians of St. Joseph's parish, for the children.

The children enjoyed the afternoon—the singing, and the story of the Christ Child told by the Sisters, and later, the refreshments.

CHRIST WAS NOT BORN ON DECEMBER 25

Though we celebrate December 25 as the birthday of Christ, no one really knows exactly when Christ was born. Researchers have set the day as January 6, March 25, May 20, April 19 and November 17.



A Christmas Message

By REV. D. Q. GRABILL

It was centuries ago that God blessed the earth with a vision of His love in the form of the Christ Child. And still our hearts are thrilled with the gladness of His coming.

As we keep Christmas this year, may we find a new faith born in our hearts. The message of Christmas is unchanging. It is the answer from God to man's age-long prayer for peace and love. It is the birthday of Jesus the divine and complete expression of love, born into a warring world to show how there might be peace.

Christmas is a time of joy and gladness. Then we think of the steadfastness of friends, the blessedness of home, the high courage of all those who have gone out from among us to fight and resist evil in the world.

May all of us be kept faithful to all that which is changeless in life. May we look out upon the Christmas season with joyful hearts, with child-like wonder in our eyes, with the angel song, "Glory to God in the Highest," upon our lips.

May the Christ Child within us lead us all into the New Year with courage and assurance.

IRVINGTON CUBS TO MEET DECEMBER 29

The Irvington Cub Scouts will hold a pack meeting on Friday evening, Dec. 29, at 7:30 o'clock in the Irvington Grammar School. Each of the three dens will be responsible for a portion of the program, putting on stunts. There will be a short ceremony, during which new members will be received and awards made to those qualifying.

If Santa Claus can be persuaded to return to Irvington he will be present to give gifts. Each Cub who comes is asked to bring a 25-cent gift, which will be exchanged. The evening will be topped off with refreshments. All Cubs are urged to be present and to bring their parents.

FREE SHOW FOR KIDS THIS SATURDAY IN NILES

Ben Olson, magician of note, and his helper, a ventriloquist, will put on a magic show at the Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored free show for kids at the Niles Theater, Saturday, Dec. 23.

In addition to the magic part of the entertainment, Bill Helm will show several shorts and comedies to the happy youngsters.

After the show, each child will be given a big red apple. Already five boxes of apples have been bought for the occasion. This Christmas party is an annual affair and always draws a big crowd.

There were 81,349 peach-bearing acres in California in 1943.

EVER THAT SAME STAR

★ The wise men saw it over the hills of old Judea... it glows in the Christmas sky tonight, though clouds may obscure the heavens. It is a beacon of hope in a world in which there is ever so much room for improvement. Its spirit travels around this earth, encouraging, sustaining, and beautifying.

Our Christmas greeting to every man, woman and child in this community... a greeting as warm and hearty—we hope—as if it were made to each in person with a friendly smile and a shake of the hand.

BOND DRIVE EXTENDED FOR TWO WEEKS

Chairman Loren Marriott has announced that the Fifth War Loan has been extended to December 31.

Sales in the township as of the latest tabulation amount to \$507,460, which is 92 per cent of the quota of \$547,224. E bond sales have amounted to \$193,590, or 74 per cent of the quota for sales of this type of bond.

Attention of all town chairmen and their workers, Marriott said, will now be concentrated on the sale of E bonds. Quota for these individual bonds is \$259,753.

"I think we'll meet our quota by December 31," Marriott told The Register yesterday. "We've a long way to go—but we've come a long way, too. Half a million bonds is a lot to sell, but we've sold that many. We ought to be able to sell \$50,000 or \$60,000 more and meet our quota."

YULE SPIRIT PREVAILS AT ROTARY MEETING

Christmas spirit possessed Rotarians at their regular luncheon meeting Thursday at the Florence Restaurant. There was singing of Christmas songs, giving of gifts, and general good fellowship.

More than the customary number of fines were levied by President Joe Buchen, proceeds from the fines going to make Christmas happier for underprivileged children. The sum of \$40.35 was raised.

L. R. Burdick gave the Christmas party a lively spirit when he "auctioned" off a number of amusing gifts. Bidding was carried on by the members not for themselves but for certain "goats" of Burdick's own selection, who paid high prices. Proceeds from this impromptu auction likewise went to charity.

Rev. T. C. Harris of the Hayward Episcopal Church was speaker of the day. He told of the history of Christmas and of its past and present-day meanings.

LADIES AUXILIARY HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Ten members of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Newark Fire Department held their annual dinner and Christmas party last Thursday evening at the International Kitchen. During the evening gifts were exchanged and plans were made for a committee to arrange a trip to Shoemaker Hospital for the purpose of taking gifts up to the boys. Six of them made the trip Thursday.

DECOTO SERVICES

The Decoto Church School meets at 10 o'clock and the church service at 11. Mr. Ralph Romer will speak on "God's Gift to the World." Date for the Christmas party will be announced at the Sunday services.

NEWARK SERVICES

The Newark Church will combine Sunday School and church this week and the program will be enlarged to include special numbers by the Christmas choir. Miss Marjory Cotton and Miss Gertrude Vandermeer will sing solos.

"Christ and His Followers—God's Gifts" will be the morning theme presented by Mr. Brown. Members of the congregation visited in the homes of senior members of the church during the past week and held Christmas services. Miss Flora Brown, Mrs. Josephine Brown, Mr. Alex DeKnoop and Mr. Fry, who are unable to attend the regular services, were greatly cheered by the thoughtfulness of their brethren.

NILES SCOUTS DO GOOD TURN FOR SPONSORS

The Niles Scout troop put on a turkey dinner for their sponsoring body, the Niles Junior Chamber of Commerce, last Wednesday evening, that turned out to be one of the most successful Scouting events of the season. The feast was held at the Florence Restaurant and the boys—and their guests—manager to tuck away two servings of turkey and all that goes with it.

Those present were: Senior Scouts: Earl Silva Jr., assistant scoutmaster, Richard Brunelli, Leon Vieux, Bruce Roeding.

Freddie Duffie, Donald Hibner, Vincent Lonerio, Gordon Kibby, Lorin Mohn, Sammie Garcia Jr., John Meeker, Evan Parry, Donald Howe, Billy Koski, George Rego, Pat Moore, Euladio Avila, Merijildo Sira, Thomas Thatcher, Larry Thatcher, Jerry Thatcher, Sandy Roeding, Jerry Roeding.

Scoutmaster Bill Koski, Assistant Scoutmaster Fred H. Duffie; Committeemen L. L. Lewis (chairman), Edward E. Enos, Harvey Braun, Paul Offel, Henry Vervais, Larry Thatcher Sr.

After dinner Santa Claus passed out gifts to the boys, each boy having drawn a name at the last Scout meeting Tuesday night.

YULE SERVICES AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES

The Christmas party for the newly formed Sunday School of the Alvarado Presbyterian Church will be held Thursday, Dec. 28, at 2 o'clock at the church, on V Street. There will be games and refreshments and all children are welcome. The next meeting of the Sunday School will be on December 31 at 3 o'clock. Classes are conducted for children of all ages.

The morning service at the Irvington Presbyterian Church will be a combined program of Sunday School and church at 11 o'clock. The Sunday School's part of the program will be under the direction of Mrs. C. L. Patterson and Mrs. P. O. Evald. There will be a short pageant and presentation of stockings which the children have been packing for the Sunny Hills Home in San Anselmo.

Rev. Philip Evald will preach on "Gifts for the Christ." At the close of the service there will be fruit for the children.

The evening service will be a combined Presbyterian Parish service, with all churches meeting together. The young people of the Irvington church will present the play, "Why the Chimes Rang."

The cast will consist of: Mary, Mary Burnside; Steen, Robert McIvor; Bertel, Hugh McIvor; Old Woman, June Daniels; Angel, Myra Burnside; Minister, Leslie Salis; Courtier, Dolphin McGowan; Scholar, Roy Stubblefield; Ladies, Evelyn Salis, Betty Kruger, Ruby McGowan; King, Ralph Runalson.

The service will begin at 8 o'clock at the Irvington Community Church. Afterwards, refreshments will be served at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Philip Evald.

During Christmas season, carols will be played from the bell tower of the church. A loud speaker system has been loaned by Mr. Britton.

CENTERVILLE SERVICES

"God with Us" is Mr. Ware's subject to be given at the Centerville Church on Christmas Sunday at 11:15 o'clock.

INDUSTRY INTERESTED
IN EAST BAY

The Pacific Coast is destined for the greatest industrial growth this nation has even seen, and the Metropolitan Oakland Area will be

Merry Christmas!
Noel! Noel!

While ageless Christmas carols fill the air this thought comes to mind. We would like to share with you our Yuletide happiness, and to feel that in this year of grace, 1944, Christmas will mean more to you than it has meant for many years past.

PEERLESS BUS DEPOT

Edw. Sachau, Prop. Niles



We've got it on good authority that this town is among the first along Santa Claus' route, and that he's scheduled to make a long stop here!

We hope that "Santa Claus will be good to you," and that this holiday time will be one of exceptional joy and happiness to you and your family.

CRANE GARAGE

DE SOTO & PLYMOUTH DEALER
Niles Phone 3111



Turkey and cranberry sauce and plum pudding are symbols of the lighter side of Christmas. We want you to have these, too, this Yule season of 1944, plus all the other joys that give Christmas-time its transcendent glory.

We welcome this opportunity to extend to each and all our heartiest greetings.

E. H. FRICK PLUMBING CO.

Niles



at the very center of this growth, reports Elmer H. Hammond, manager of the Industrial Department, Oakland Chamber of Commerce, just back from a six-week industrial tour of the Chicago-New York areas.

Many industries, ranging in classification from small to medium size are deeply interested in locating branch and assembly plants in this area. Hammond points out that the major factors influencing industries in new plant location are raw materials, labor, markets, transportation, power and favorable legislation.

MISS LINDSAY,
FORMER NILES GIRL,
TO WED LIEUTENANT

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Lindsay, formerly of Niles, this week announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Jane, to Lt. (jg) William P. Moller of Santa Barbara and the Navy.

Miss Lindsay graduated with the class of '39 at Washington Union High School, and then attended San Jose State for her pre-nursing course. She will finish her nurses training in January at Los Angeles General Hospital. Marriage plans have not yet been made.

What Shall
We Have
For Dinner
?

Recipes this week contributed by Mr. and Mrs. James Brown

This is the time of year when entertaining is at its peak; not so much as before the war, but it is still good to get friends together and there is no better excuse for doing so than during the holiday season.

One of the most popular forms of entertainment is the "open house."

Mr. and Mrs. James Brown (Mr. Brown is the new assistant pastor of the Presbyterian parish) held open house last Friday to celebrate the completion of the remodeling of the manse at Newark.

Mrs. Brown has two very young and lively youngsters, Charlotte, 2 years; and Jim, 6 months. So, busy as she is with them, she has little time to fuss with fancy food. She has found that cream puffs are always popular with her guests—and they are not nearly as hard to make as most people suppose. And too, if you use the packaged pudding mixes for fillings, you don't have to use any sugar.

Mrs. Brown made 147 of these for her guests last Friday. In addition she served the Irish cake (recipe below) and coffee and hot chocolate, and sandwiches.

CREAM PUFFS

1/2 cup shortening (don't use more than half cup or puffs will be soggy)

1 cup water

Bring shortening and water to a boil. Then add 1 cup flour sifted with half teaspoon salt. Stir until the mixture forms a ball and leaves the sides of the pan. Remove from stove. Let cool slightly and add 4 eggs unbeaten, one at a time. Drop by teaspoonsful onto greased baking sheet, and bake 10 minutes at 450 degrees and finish baking for 30 minutes at 400 degrees. (If puffs seem underdone, turn off fire in oven, and let them remain in the oven for 15 minutes longer, just to make sure.) Cool, slit, and add filling.

And now for the Irish cake, which Mr. Brown himself always makes. He brought the recipe with him from Ireland, having come from Belfast only 9 years

CHRISTMAS EVE
SERVICE TO BE
HELD AT ST. JAMES

A special Christmas Eve service and Holy Communion will be held at the St. James Episcopal Church at 8 p.m., December 24, with the Rev. T. C. Harris officiating. The service will be preceded by Christmas carol singing by the congregation, and a brief address will be delivered by the Vicar, Edward A. Groves, Jr.

The regular Sunday morning prayer and sermon will be held as usual at 11:15 a.m.

CELEBRATION FOR
REMODELING OF MANSE

Mr. and Mrs. James Brown entertained over 60 guests last Friday at an "open house" celebration of the Newark manse. The event was occasioned by the completion of the entire remodeling of the manse.

During the evening, Mrs. Fred Moeller gave the history of the manse from 1900 to the present time.

Mr. Brown, who is the assistant pastor of the Presbyterian parish, will complete his studies at the San Anselmo in one more year.

ago. It is very much like a pound cake.

IRISH CAKE

(Recipe makes from two to three pounds of cake.)

2 cups of sugar
1 pound of butter or margarine
6 cups of flour
3 cups of raisins
8 eggs

Mix shortening and sugar thoroughly, at least 20 minutes by hand or less time with mixer. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each egg. Mix flour and raisins and fold gently (don't beat) into batter. Bake in well-lined loaf tins for two and a half or three hours in 300-degree oven. No frosting is necessary.

— Bonds for Bombs —



There's a joy in the heart
That sets Christmas apart,
To make it a day of all days.
And may its true peace
And good will never cease
To bless you in manifold ways.

El Pajaro
Beauty Salon

Marjorie Janssen, Prop. Niles

PUBLIC (LEGAL) NOTICE

CERTIFICATE OF INDIVIDUAL
DOING BUSINESS UNDER A
FICTITIOUS NAME
STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

I, the undersigned, EDITH M. BENJAMIN, hereby certify that I am transacting business at Centerville, in the County of Alameda, State of California, under the fictitious name of "YOUR HAIRDRESSER"; that I am the only person having any interest in said business, and that the place of my residence is hereinafter set forth following my signature hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of November, 1944.

EDITH M. BENJAMIN, Residing at Centerville, California.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ALAMEDA)
On this 17th day of November, in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-four, before me, ALLEN G. NORRIS, a Notary Public in and for the County of Alameda, State of California, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared, EDITH M. BENJAMIN, known to me to be the person described in and whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and she acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

ALLEN G. NORRIS,
Notary Public in and for the County of Alameda, State of California.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 89116 Dept. 4
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, BEN MOZZETTI, Executor of the Will of Louise Mozzetti, who was also known as Louisa Mozzetti and also as L. Mozzetti, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said decedent, to file in six months after the first publication of this notice, either in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me at the office of ALLEN G. NORRIS, Centerville, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate. Dated at Centerville, California, December 13, 1944.

BEN MOZZETTI
Executor of the Will of the above named decedent.

ALLEN G. NORRIS,
Attorney for Executor,
Centerville, California.
First publication: Dec. 15, 1944.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO
ENGAGE IN THE SALE OF
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
December 18, 1944

To Whom It May Concern:
Notice is hereby given that fifteen days after the date posted, the undersigned proposes to sell alcoholic beverages at these premises, described as follows:
519 Main St., Niles

Pursuant to such intention, the undersigned is applying to the State Board of Equalization for issuance of an alcoholic beverage license (or licenses) for these premises as follows:
On Sale Beer

Anyone desiring to protest the issuance of such license (s) may file a verified protest with the State Board of Equalization at Sacramento, California, stating grounds for denial as provided by law. The premises are now licensed for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

Henry Feliciano

The Dead Sea Valley is more than 1200 feet below the level of the Mediterranean Sea.

Rodents constitute 65 per cent of the food of coyotes in Yellowstone National Park.

'KISS AND TELL'
TO PLAY AT
GEARY THEATRE

George Abbott's cavalcade of laughs, "Kiss and Tell," with Lila Lee, Walter Gilbert and June Dayton in the featured roles, returns to San Francisco, playing at the Geary Theatre, beginning December 25, for two weeks only.

Written by F. Hugh Herbert, staged and directed by Mr. Abbott, it is definitely the funniest show of many a season, an all-out, all-over, all-in-together-girls hit and in a world of woe, it shines like a gay, good deed.

The comedy, the company, the author and the producer have been greeted with unanimous praise by critics and public alike wherever "Kiss and Tell" has appeared. This frolicsome piece has been delighting audiences in four separate parts of these United States and is still playing in New York, at the Biltmore Theatre and in Chicago at the Harris. A London company opened in England recently.

David Conlin, is seen as Lieut. Archer; Gene Fuller appears as the earnest next-door-neighbor's boy, frequently in very hot water through no fault of his own, and David Gordon plays the role of Raymond, whose "know-it-allness" generally messes things up. The balance of the cast is excellent and includes Mary Keenan, Virginia Davis, Kittie Cosgriff, Ellen Hall, Albert Vees, Larry Semon, William David, Irving Mitchell and Ernest Woodward.

This comedy is as much fun for Aunt Minnie, Aunt Susie, Bob or Mary, as it is fun for Pop and Mom, or their cousins; in fact every one 9 to 90 years young. Matinee the first week of "Kiss and Tell" at the Geary will be held on Wednesday and Saturday. There will be two performances New Year's Eve, starting at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. Final performance Saturday evening, January 6.

— Bonds for Bombs —

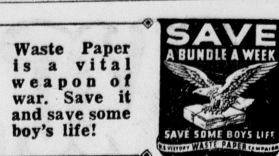
... It's Christmas!
So Let's Celebrate!

Let's celebrate by recalling on every day what Christmas is and what it means. Let's celebrate by never doubting that eventually Good shall triumph. Let's celebrate by making children happy and by opening our hearts to those in need.

That's the way to have the Merry Christmas we wish for you.

Rees Drug Store

Main Street, Niles



Hearty and cheery
And happy and true,
An ever so fervent
Merry Christmas to
you! . . .

MINT BARBER SHOP

Joe Ferry Niles



ALL the good old
fashioned spirit
of the season is
expressed in this
heartily MERRY
CHRISTMAS.

You've been the
best of friends to
us in 1944 and
here's wishing for
you the very best!

THE
ELLSWORTH
COMPANY

E. A. Ellsworth Vernon Ellsworth
NILES



AS WE APPROACH the beloved anniversary of a great Event we are reminded again of the many Christmas seasons we have seen come and go. Time has changed everything except friendship.

We are proud of the fact that we number among our customers many of the town's "oldest inhabitants"—friends who have become dearer to us with the passing years.

Once again we say Merry Christmas to all.

Niles Clothing Center

NEAR CRANE'S GARAGE



WE HOPE old Santa will not forget you this Christmas of 1944, but that he will cram that stocking so full it can hold no more.

Good cheer, good fellowship, and Merry Christmas to you all!



PEERLESS GRILL

MAIN STREET, NILES

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Little Things

Children have an uncanny way, sometimes, of saying the very things that an adult feels, but fails to put into words. The editorial below is an example. It is reprinted from "The Gander," a very cleverly written little newspaper put out by the eighth-grade pupils of Newark Grammar School, under the supervision of Mrs. William Mette. Written by 13-year-old Tommy Gunn, son of the Chester Gunns, the editorial is entitled:

Let's Do Just a Little

The following editorial is just to show how much can be accomplished by everyone doing a little bit. The other night at the war show in the stadium, a man had every light in the stadium turned out. He then lit a match. The match made a very small glow. Then he asked everyone in the stadium to take out a match or borrow one from the person sitting next to him. When he gave the word everyone was to light a match. The stadium was lit up better than it had ever been before.

The same thing applies to buying war bonds. If everyone bought just a few, there would be a lot of money to buy ammunition, guns, tanks, airplanes, etc. In fact, it would be the same with everything.

Everything there is, is made up of little things. So the next time you go to spend some money for junk, just remember how much good it will do in war stamps. It may seem small to you

but if everyone did it, it would be a big thing. Do what you can. Every bit counts.

Merry Christmas

Thomas Tusser, who turned out a good bit of sage advice in liting lines and epigrams which have become a permanent part of our philosophy as well as our language, left the world a simple Yuletide message in the now familiar couplet:

At Christmas play, and make good cheer,
For Christmas comes but once a year.

Down through the centuries, in addition to its deep religious significance, Christmas has been a day of good cheer—a day of play and gayety and great excitement for children, and a day when men and women took off time to enjoy the companionship of friends and neighbors. It has been a day of brotherly love, a day of goodness, as well as good things on the table, for once a year mankind has sought to follow a little closer in the steps of the Master.

In many of our homes, gladness will be tinged with sadness on Christmas Day this year. As they prepare the Christmas dinner, mothers will pray silently that their sons will come back to them, and fathers will long for their boys and bury the hurt in their hearts when they sit down to the table without them.

For wives and sisters and sweethearts, whose loved ones are wearing G. I. uniforms, there will be something missing from Christmas. But there will be courage and strong hope born of the sureness that the tide of battle has turned and that the end may not be too long delayed.

There is not the pall over Christmas this year that there was on that dark Christmas which followed so close on the tragedy of Pearl Harbor. Despite war's burdens, we should all have gratitude in our hearts that the defeat of our enemies, though not yet accomplished, has become a certainty, and that the day of peace has come much nearer.

And we should be eternally thankful that America has been spared the fearful devastation and tragedy visited on other countries which have been laid waste by bombs and enemy troops. This year, far more than last, or any year since the outbreak of war, we have reason to be thankful—and reason to extend the Yuletide greeting:

"Merry Christmas!"



The FARMERS CORNER

By RALPH H. TAYLOR

Executive Secretary Agricultural Council of California

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men!"

In the midst of total war, with half the world rocking under the fearful blast of bombs and gunfire, and with millions of our own men engaged in the fierce struggle, man's inhumanity to man almost seems to make mockery of the traditional Christmas message.

There will be many thoughtful, sensitive men and women here at home this Christmas who, as they exchange cheerful greetings with their friends and neighbors, and share in the Yuletide festivities, will experience qualms of conscience that they should enjoy security, home comforts and sumptuous holiday fare while their own sons and brothers, and untold millions of other men, fight in the bitter cold or in steaming jungles for their very survival.

The Christmas season, in a sense, heightens the tragedy of war, with all its brutality and its agony of suffering, but actually if there were no Christmas the outlook for our world would be one of hopeless futility.

If there were not millions of men and women in the world who still hold fast to their belief in right, rather than might; who still believe in the dignity of man, in simple principles of justice, truth and decency, in freedom of worship, freedom of belief and freedom of expression—then our world already would have succumbed to Axis tyranny and despotism, and the precepts of both Christianity and Democracy would have been blotted out for generations to come.

War, and the killing and destruction which are instruments of war, would make the Christmas season seem a shallow observance, indeed, except that we know that from the beginning of time men have died that other men might live as their consciences dictate,

and that principles which are more sacred than life might endure.

The distinction which separates our American way of life from the totalitarian system which we are fighting is not simply a political difference. Imperfect as our Democracy may be, it represents the closest approach any people ever have made to a recognition of fundamental Christian principles in their form of government and in their consideration of the rights of others.

To the great majority of the American people, more perhaps than any other people on the face of the earth, war is utterly abhorrent. There is only one thing more abhorrent—and that would be a denial of our faith in our God and country, and refusal to support and defend the very principles we live by.

At this Christmas season, however, every American who earnestly desires peace on earth, and goodwill toward men, needs to recognize that he, as an individual, has a very vital part to play in building a society that can live at peace and prevent a recurrence of conditions which brought on the present global conflict.

The responsibility of this war does not rest alone on the swaggering men of Berlin and Tokyo who had a lust for world conquest and who plotted the enslavement of free people. In our own country, as well as other free nations, the handwriting on the wall was ignored until it was too late. The vast majority of the people of the world—good people, who would be quick to show their sympathy and concern if a next-door neighbor were in difficulty—were too busy with their own affairs to pay much attention to the broader responsibilities of food citizenship.

It is generally accepted that the United States, because of our tremendous influence as a world power, and our inherent desire for peace and fair play in international relations, must play an important part in the organization and direction of any League of Nations, World Court or other world order, if such an organization is to have any real hope of maintaining "peace on earth."

That is undoubtedly true, but if we are to set the pattern for world peace and security, certainly we must begin at home by paying strict attention to our responsibilities as citizens of the United States—by seeking to be unselfish in our own approach to the common good from our chosen representatives.

If the nation had been more interested in peace than profits a few years back, we would not have permitted our government to continue to sanction the shipment of scrap iron to Japan; we would not

have permitted our country to be torn by bitter class warfare and labor disputes which encouraged our enemies and divided our own people; we would not have been so busy chasing dollars as to be blind to what was going on both at home and abroad.

The finest gift we could give each other—and the world around us—this Christmas would be a consecration of ourselves to the Christ for which Christmas stands. And that is our only hope of a lasting world peace when this war has been won.



THE nearness of Yuletide is unmistakable. Whether snow festoons the fir trees or whether earth still awaits its mantle of white, woods and fields, city and town breathe Christmas and its spirit of kindness.

We sincerely hope that the Christmas season of 1944 will be richer for you, fuller, and more satisfying than for many a year, and thank you for twelve months of very pleasant relations.

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NAZARENES TO HAVE YULE PROGRAM

The Niles Nazarene Church will present its Christmas program at 7:30 p.m., December 24.

Rev. Walter Markham opens a



holiday season Revival at 7:30 p.m. December 27. He is said to be an exceptionally good speaker.

Special musical numbers and musical chalk talks will be part of the services. A gift will be presented to each attending the most number of services.

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25—Christmas Day.

26—Washington crosses Delaware; defeats Hessians, 1776.

27—U. S. orders rationing of processed foods, 1942.

28—Gen. Jackson defeats British at New Orleans, 1814.

29—Thirteen vessels in navy, 1778.

30—Charter Dartmouth university, 1769.

31—China recalls military mission to U. S., 1942.

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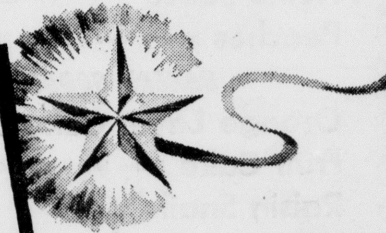
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...PERSONAL NEWS NOTES...

A delightful Christmas tea, with decorations of ENGLISH HOLLY, was given last week by Mrs. Claude Marchand at her home in Canyon Heights.

The guests played whist and later refreshments were served. Those present included: Mrs. Ray Osborn, George Murphy, Ray Moughon and George Sladek of Niles; Mrs. Homer Osborn and Mrs. Joe Sheehan from Hayward; Mrs. Robert Moore from Centerville; and Mrs. Joseph Rose from Los Gatos.

Mrs. George L. Brown of Newark spent 10 days recently with her DAUGHTER, Mrs. June Townsend of San Francisco. Last year Mrs. Brown had the misfortune of losing her right leg at the knee by amputation and is now learning to use an artificial one.

Lt. and Mrs. Thurston Davis (Dora Gastelum) are visiting Mrs. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gastelum of Newark. The young couple have been living in VIRGINIA, where Lt. Davis has been stationed. On their way to California they stopped off in New Orleans and Los Angeles to visit relatives. During her stay in the East, Mrs. Davis visited many American landmarks. Lt. Davis plans to fly East after Christmas to receive further orders.

Mrs. Edwina Harrison and Mrs. Joseph Gibson attended the formal opening last week of the Presbyterian Hospitality House in San Francisco, which is sponsored by Rev. Jackson L. Webster, former PASTOR of the Presbyterian church here. Four hundred guests were present at the reception.

The THIMBLE CLUB, comprised of Newark women, held its annual Christmas party and pot-luck luncheon last week at the home of Mrs. Joel Gibson. Gifts were exchanged during the afternoon.

Little Miss Kathleen Reyburn and her brother, Laurens Reyburn of San Francisco are HOUSE GUESTS at the A. W. Gorman home in Niles. Both children were playmates of Suzanne Gorman when the Gormans lived in San Francisco.

The entire POULTRY HUSBANDRY class from the University of California at Berkeley was entertained at luncheon last Saturday by Mrs. W. F. Lamoreux at her home on Nursery Road. Three men and three women comprise the class. Also guests were their instructor, Dr. I. M. Lerner and Arthur Heisdorf. The group was here to visit the Kimber Poultry Breeding Farm.

Mrs. W. J. Teter of Indianapolis, Ind., is VISITING with her cousin, Mrs. J. C. Shinn, for several weeks. She arrived last Sunday by Western Pacific.

Miss Marion Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Green of Nursery Road, celebrated her fifteenth BIRTHDAY last Wednesday by giving a party at which 18 guests were present. These included the misses Caroline Vargas, LaDaun Harding, Edwina Rose, Shirley Viveiros, Levina Hayes; Ph.M. 3/c Joe LaCroix, HA 1/c Mick Bradford, S 1/c Lloyd Kenes, S 2/c Bob Bernard, S 1/c Jesse Nida, S 1/c George Hoelvel, PhM 2/c G. M. Laird and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Costa and children from Decoto, and Mrs. Ida Green of Niles.

Home with the MUMPS—Miss Irma Bond, teacher at the Irvington Elementary School. Mrs. Walter Connolly is substituting in her absence.

Attending the Crippled Children's Guild TINY TIM PARTY last Thursday at the Hotel Leamington were Mrs. C. E. Martenstein, who is a charter member and past-officer in the Guild, Mrs. E. H. Hirsch, and Mrs. Walter Connolly.

Dr. N. R. Brewer, formerly with the Kimber Poultry Breeding Farm, has taken a position in an ANIMAL CLINIC in San Diego. Mrs. Brewer and their daughter, Maureen, will move down just as soon as they have made arrangements to sell their home near Irvington.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Bendel's Christmas color scheme will be predominantly Navy blue, what with several Navy men they have invited to Christmas dinner.

The guests include four sailors from Camp Shoemaker and two V-12 men from the University of California. Other guests are Mrs. Bendel's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wood of Mill

Valley and her two brothers and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Handley from Stockton and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Handley from Chico.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mette will spend the holiday at the home of Mrs. Mette's brother and his family, the George Carters of San Jose. The day promises to be a lively one, for the Carters have three-year-old identical twin sons who, even at their tender age, love to confuse people over their identity.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Carr will spend the holiday in Alameda with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Carr.

Mrs. R. V. Richmond will go to Oakland to be with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Addison Richmond.

The Jack Albers will go to San Francisco to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Alberg's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Atzeroth.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mitte will spend Christmas Eve in Albany.

Mrs. Anna Bradford is going to Byron for the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Duarte will go to Martinez for holiday festivities at the home of Mr. Duarte's brother and family, Herman Duarte.

The Crane clan—Mrs. Sarah Crane and Mr. and Mrs. Leland Crane—will go to Richmond to have Christmas dinner with Mrs. Sarah Crane's daughter, Mrs. Martha Wyatt.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mohn of Irvington will have as their dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Walker, who are employed at the Ahwahnee Sanitarium, Mrs. Walker's cousin from Camp Roberts, and Flight Officer Herbert L. Johnson and their little son, Bobby.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cull will spend Christmas day in Hayward at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Garner.

Holiday guests of the James L. Browns at the Newark manse are Mrs. Brown's father, sister and brother—Frank Vandermeer, Miss Gertrude Vandermeer, and Fred Vandermeer. They are here from Everett, Washington.

Friends of Mrs. Catherine Parry are glad to learn that she is home again after a stay in the hospital resulting from a recent appendectomy. She hopes to be sufficiently recovered by the time the Niles Grammar School opens to take over her duties as cafeteria manager.

The Harold Houghton family will have a regular old-fashioned Christmas. Their daughter, Mrs. Betty Wilbe, is home from Seattle, which adds to the spirit of the occasion. Other dinner guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Drake of Berkeley and John Stark of San Francisco, and Miss Hamilton, also of San Francisco.

A novel party was held at the home of Mrs. Grady Denton last Wednesday evening. It was a party in which the guests, 18 in number, were treated to gifts, surprises, prizes, and an interesting display of mops and kindred objects. These "pop parties" are becoming quite popular it seems. They are on the order of the parties given before the war by demonstrators of aluminum cooking ware.

Ben Abscher of Cottage Grove, Ore., is visiting his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Caldera of Newark.

Little Miss Alice Hale of Niles will celebrate her eleventh birthday next Wednesday, Dec. 27, by having a birthday party at her home for several friends.

The Jack Goularte family is moving to Newark this week, into the home formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Tony Perry.



All Stores CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY (Monday, December 25), so please shop early... early in the day... when supplies are more plentiful and the stores are less crowded.

MISCELLANEOUS CHRISTMAS NEEDS

Catsup	Red Hill (50 pts.)—14-oz. Bottle	13c	Crackers	Tea Timer—1-lb. Carton	21c
Sauce	Cranberry—Ocean Spray Deliy.—1-oz.	23c	Coffee	Edwards Vacuum packed in glass—1 lb.	27c
Rice	M.J.B. White or Brown—2-lb. Carton	25c	Cocoa	Nestle—1/2-lb. Carton	17c
Honey	Beville—2-lb. Glass	49c	Roma Sherry Wine	5th Bottle	\$1.10
Shredded Wheat	N. B. C.—12-oz. Carton	12c	Oats	Morning Glory, Quick or Regular—48-oz.	26c
Flour	Kitchen Craft—No. 10 Bag	55c	Zoom	Fisher's Instant Cereal—1 1/4-lb. Carton	19c
Raisins	Market Day Seedless—2-lb. Package	22c	Salt	Schilling's Celery, Onion, Savor—3-oz.	12c
Sugar	Powdered—Ration Stamp—1-lb.	2 for 15c	Seasoning	Bell's Poultry—1-oz. Package	10c

CANNED FOODS

Highway Peas	Standard—No. 2 Can	13c
Corn	Highway Golden Cream Style—No. 2 Can	13c
Corn	Del Monte Golden Cream Style—No. 2 Can	15c
Lima Beans	Bonnie Dell Small Green—No. 2	18c
Tomatoes	Gardenside (30) No. 2 1/2	13c
Prem	Swift's Luncheon Meat—12-oz. Can	31c
Apricots	Del Monte Halves (60 pts.) 2 1/2 Can	27c
Milk	Cherub Evaporated (1 pt.) Tall Cans	3 for 27c
Hot Sauce	Gardenside—7 1/2-oz. Can	3 for 13c
DESSERTS—BEVERAGES		
Fruit Cake	Hostess Half Moon—16-oz.	35c
Pie Crust	Singers—8-oz. Carton	8c
Tree Tea	Orange Pekoe—8-oz. Carton	49c
Sno-Cola	Qt. Bottle—Plus Deposit	2 for 15c
Ginger Ale	Belfast—29-oz. Bottle Plus Deposit	2 for 23c
Soda Water	Shasta Club—Qt. Bottle	10c
Wine	Roma Sauterne and Burgundy—5ths	92c

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White King Soap

Laundry—Reg. Bar 4c

How to roast a turkey without a roaster!

IT CAN be done—easily—and without basting, too! But first, remember that in buying a turkey it's wise to figure about 3/4 to 1 lb. (drawn weight) per serving.

To truss the bird (thus keeping it in compact and attractive shape while roasting):

Fold wings back so the tips are caught in back of the bird, and tie tightly around the whole bird using strong cord—

Then, using another length of cord, tie firmly around the end of each drumstick just above the joint, press them close to the body, and tie them securely to the tailpiece (as shown above)

DOUGH BLANKET ROASTING

is the next step, and it requires neither roaster nor basting:

1. Have bird trussed and ready—
2. Place on shallow pan or metal tray (may go cater-cornered if bird is large)—
3. Have oven good and hot (450° F.)—
4. Mix 4 to 6 cups of flour (depending on size of bird) with just enough water to make stiff dough; knead slightly—
5. Roll out to 1/4 to 1/2 inch thickness, large enough to cover bird completely—
6. Let edges hang loose—don't tuck in (if it stretches too thin at any point, patch with extra dough)—
7. Put immediately into hot oven—
8. Pour 1 cup water into pan; bake about 15 minutes for dough blanket to set.
9. Reduce oven heat to 325° F. and finish roasting—
10. Do not baste, but be sure to keep about 1 cupful of water in pan at all times—
11. Half an hour before serving time, break the hard dough blanket by tapping with a hammer; remove blanket, being careful not to break the skin.
12. To get desired color, increase heat if necessary and continue cooking uncovered.

Roasting time depends on the size of the bird; the larger the turkey, for example, the fewer minutes per pound needed for tender results. Turkeys weighing from 14 to 25 lbs. require about 4 1/2 hours at 325° F.; from 8 to 13 lbs., about 3 1/2 hours.

Large birds are "done" when tines of fork easily enter the thick part of the drumstick or when, after you've grasped the end bone of the drumstick the joints in the thigh break or move easily.

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All of Us Wish All of You a Very Merry Christmas!



Give War Bonds

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OUR READERS WRITE . . .

The Editor, Sir:

My young daughter and I found it necessary to take a walk up to the drug store the other evening after dark. We did not anticipate the excursion with any degree of pleasure, because the darkness of the streets in Niles makes walking almost hazardous.

It was therefore with considerable surprise and delight that we saw in a lighted window as we approached Main Street a very lovely Christmas scene—a huge Santa Claus and a little reindeer with a red nose. The whole scene indicated that a lot of thought and time had been put into the preparation of it, and we were grateful

for having such a public-spirited citizen in the little town of Niles. We later found that we owe much gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Burlia James.

"Gee, Mama," my little 8-year-old daughter said, "maybe Niles is going to be a real little town after all!"

Which set me to thinking that with a few more people being progressive like the Jameses Niles really COULD be a nice little town.

Mrs. A. W. Gorman

Riverside County produced 120,574 net tons of pottery clay worth \$214,918 in 1943.



At this season we should all subject ourselves to re-examination, to see if good fellowship and kindness still survive as a practical combination to bring happiness to the human heart. Each of us holds in his hands the key to this combination. Let us use it during this Christmas season of 1944, to help transform dreams into realities.

May we add our glad Christmas greetings to the many which are finding their way to you?

P. C. HANSEN LUMBER CO.

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★ At Christmas perhaps more than at any other time in the year we realize what it means to be an American—to worship as we please, to go about our daily pursuits unfettered, to take time out to pay homage to the beautiful

myth of Santa Claus. ★ And at Christmas the members of this organization realize particularly what your patronage has meant to us, and we take this opportunity to thank you while wishing you all a most Merry Christmas.

NILES MARKET

RED AND WHITE

An Army Nurse Aids a Soldier Patient in France



At an evacuation hospital near the front, Second Lieutenant Irene G. Osborne, Army nurse from Boston, Massachusetts, administers a throat irrigation to a wounded man. The U. S. Army needs 10,000 more registered nurses to help care for the wounded.

GERMANS BRING US OUR YULE CUSTOMS

Oddly enough, it was the Germans, who we are prone to connect with cruelty and harshness, who most influenced our Christmas customs. It was they who brought to this country our concept of Santa Claus. It was the German emigrants who first established the Christmas tree custom in America.

It is always interesting to learn the origin of some of our Christmas customs. Take the filling of

the Christmas stocking for instance.

The quaint custom is said to have started back in the fourth century with St. Nicholas, Nicholas of Myra, a Greek bishop. He was very generous, but also very shy, which was a bad combination of traits as he hated to be thanked, yet he was continually giving to those in need.

One time, rather than run the risk of being seen in the act of doing a kind deed, he climbed to a roof top and dropped a purse of gold coin down the chimney. The money fell into a child's stocking that had been hung up to dry on the mantelpiece.

Thereafter, when unexpected gifts came from unknown sources they were attributed to St. Nicholas.

Did you know that there is a reason for eating mince pie at Christmas time? Yes, the mince pie is a Christian symbolism.

In the early days the pie represented the gold, frankincense and myrrh brought by the Three Wise Men to the manger; the crust symbolized the gold, and the mixture of spices the frankincense and myrrh.

It was thought that to assure oneself of a year of happiness, a person had to eat one pie on each of the twelve days after Christmas.

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Thinking Things Over . . .

By VIVIAN BATMAN

"Look," I said to the editor. "I can't write this column this week."

"Why not?" asked the editor, dispassionately.

"Because all I can think of is 'clang, clang clang' and 'buzz, buzz, buzz.' It's that trolly song. It's ruined me. That's all that goes on in my mind, day and night—'clang, clang, clang' and 'buzz, buzz, buzz.'"

"Ah—so that's it," replied the editor enigmatically. "I've often wondered."

There are other things that worry me, too—those Pond ads in the magazines. You know the ones—"She's engaged! She's lovely! She uses Pond's!"

The thing that disturbs me about these charming debutantes is: What if they hadn't used Pond's? What if they had used some other face cream? Or—horrors—what if they had used only soap!

Would they have still been lovely and engaged? Or would they have been ignored and left to wither on the vine? It really gives you the jitters thinking about the possible fate of all of these lovely girls if Pond's had not come to their rescue.

Browsing around in the book department of a big department store the other day, I heard three different people come up and ask the sales lady, "Do you have a copy of 'Forever Amber'?"

The reply was the same to all three, "Sorry, but we're all sold out, and can't get any more for a while."

Would the fact that it has been banned in Boston have anything to do with the book's enormous popularity? The attractive author, Kathleen Winsor, says, "No"—but one wonders.

Miss Winsor herself, glamorous as any movie actress, could play the part of her own heroine in the movies. Why not? Who'd know better how to play it than she, who dreamed up the character?

Impressions of the high school pageant last Sunday: The clear speaking voice of one of the narrators . . . the striking effect of the figures silhouetted against the beautifully-lighted backdrop . . . the stiff competition offered to the singers by crying babies in the audience! . . . the Christmas atmosphere in the auditorium in-



SLEIGHBELLS TINKLING DOWN OLD ROADS, FARM HOMES GLEAMING IN THE DARK, THE SPIRIT OF KINDNESS BROODING OVER THE LAND. YES, 'TIS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS AND ALL MEN ARE KIN.

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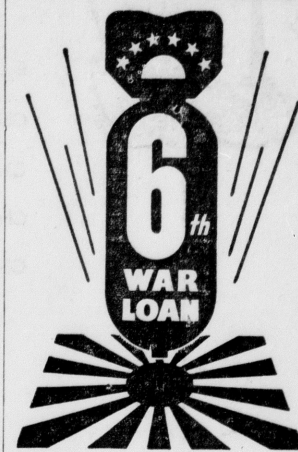
To the People of this Community

"Sad little personal belongings are strewn all over these bitter sands." Thus wrote Ernie Pyle from a beachhead in Normandy.

More than 2,000 bundles of these belongings, carefully collected and packed by the armed forces, are sent monthly from a Kansas City depot to homes throughout America. That's the current price of victory over enemies who forced this war upon you. These "souvenirs" are enveloped with heartaches and drenched with tears.

How long this tragic depot stays in business is up to you. Every second prolongs the slaughter. Every extra \$100 War Bond in the Sixth War Loan helps to shorten the fighting. Can you do less than to lend your money for speedy victory?

THE EDITOR.



TWENTY YEARS AGO . . .

(From the 1924 files of The Township Register)

The Greenwood Pharmacy and Scott's Shoe Store planned to move into the new Cavanaugh Building in Niles, which was receiving the finishing touches.

Niles townsfolk were very proud of the Grammar School baseball team, which was comprised of the following: Anthony Fields, Joseph King, Breare Joseph, C. Pine, Raymond Duarte, Jose Delgado, Joe Perry, Paul Guzman, Arnold Bellini, Richard Davis, Will Lanfri, James Cull.

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THE STAR IN THE EAST

Down through the ages has come the story of the shepherds tending their flocks at night, awed by the Star in the East.

During this sacred season, mellowed by the thought of those who cannot be with us, we have abundant reason for gratitude. We have come a long way since the dark Christmas of 1941. The Star in the East shines brighter now.

That this may, indeed, be a Merry Christmas for you and yours is our ardent wish.

Henry Miller Cleaning Service and THE NILES CLEANERS

CENTERVILLE 183

NILES 4436

JOIN NOW

Is Santa Claus doing right by you? Join Central Bank's Christmas Savings club now and make sure he'll be on the job at Christmas next year, too. Don't put it off; join now!

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MEMBER F. D. I. C.



Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight!
Christmas in lands of the fir-tree and pine,
Christmas in lands of the palm-tree and vine;
Christmas where snow-peaks stand solemn and white,
Christmas where corn-fields lie sunny and bright."
—Phillip Brooks.

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COZZI VARIETY STORE
Niles



**IN THESE
LAST
SHORT
DAYS
OF 1944**

when beaming faces tell that Christmas is very, very near, we are reminded again of the supreme value of friendship. He who has no friends, though he may have amassed a fortune, cannot be happy.

We have many friends in this area—friends from many years back as well as friends who have become friends during this past year. These friendships are a great source of pride and happiness to us.

To all these friends we wish a very Merry Christmas Season.

THE GARDEN BASKET
and Neighborhood Liquor Store
Joe Boliba, Proprietor Niles

NEWS OF TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

DECOTO

By Tony Zumaquero

The Decoto School will close Friday for the Christmas holidays. There will be a vacation until January 8.

At 1 p.m. there will be an entertainment in the auditorium. There will be a Christmas tree, carol singing with the orchestra, and other entertainment. Santa will arrive in the B-29 and distribute a treat for all.

The Eighth Grade officers are: President, Jerry Brown; Vice-President, John Miramontes; Secretary, John Quiroz; Treasurer, Demetra Alvarado; and Reporter, Tony Zumaquero.

The Eighth Grade is planning projects, parties and motion picture shows to be given throughout the year.

RATION CALENDAR

GASOLINE

A-14 now valid for four gallons. B-4, B-5 and B-6 each good for five gallons. C-4, C-5 and C-6 each good for five gallons. E-1 and E-2 (1 gallon) and R-1 and R-2 (5 gallons) valid for non-highway purposes only. E and R coupons not valid. Mileage Rationing Record must accompany application for supplemental gasoline.

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Book Four: Blue stamps A-8 through Z-8, A-5 through Z-5, and A-2 and B-2 valid for ten points each, good indefinitely.

MEATS, FATS AND OILS

Book Four: Red stamps A-8 through Z-8, and A-5 through Z-5 valid for ten points each, good indefinitely.

SUGAR

Book Four: Sugar Stamps No. 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 good for five pounds each, valid indefinitely. Sugar Stamp 40 valid for five pounds for home canning through February 28, 1945.

PAST PRESIDENTS PRESENT SLIPPERS TO SHOEMAKER

The past presidents of the Country Club of Washington Township were well repaid last Saturday for the many hours they had put in on the carpet slippers they have made, by the enthusiastic response of the boys at Shoemaker, to whom the slippers were given.

The women made 44 pairs altogether, enough for every man in the ward which the club sponsors.

Those who went to the hospital to present the slippers included Mmes. C. E. Martenstein, F. V. Jones, E. A. Ellsworth, Howard Charborne, R. L. Pond, William Mette, E. H. Hirsch and Roland Bendel.

The past-presidents, far from being finished with their job, plan to go right on making slippers, enough for the new patients who are constantly coming in.

The University of California is planning 27 million dollars worth of postwar improvements and expansion.

Mrs. America Meets the War

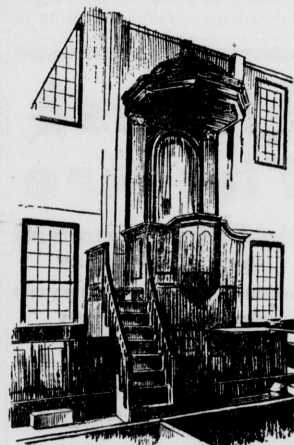
Whether you're preparing roast beef, turkey or perhaps a baked ham for your family's Christmas day feast, do your bit for victory by saving every drop of waste fat. No amount is too trifling to save—since thousands of articles, ranging from soap to munitions, need used fats for their manufacture. Strain the fat into a tin can and turn it in to your butcher. He'll give you four cents and two red points for every pound!

Holiday diners-out, too, can make an important contribution to the future welfare of all Americans. All restaurants are required to post the ceiling prices of their 40 most popular items. Be sure that you pay no more than the ceiling for your meal. Any overcharge should be reported to the price panel of your local War Price and Rationing Board. Upon our vigilance in holding the price line will depend the kind of new start G. I. Joe will get when he returns from the battle line.

If you are looking forward to happier housecleaning and the purchase of a new "dust-catcher," here's an item to note. You will have to pay no more for an electrolux vacuum cleaner now that you would have before the war. The ceiling price for the model cleaner with nine attachments is \$69.75. And remember that you don't have to buy additional articles, such as garment bags and crystals, in order to get delivery of a cleaner.

Mrs. American can now fulfill

Bonds Over America



WINE GLASS PULPIT

All over New England stand white churches, emblematic of Freedom of Religion. Nowhere is there a more impressive shrine than the wine glass pulpit in the Sandown, N. H., meeting house, erected about 1773. The original pews are there, too, where the congregation listened to sermons more than 170 years ago that would have brought banishment to concentration camps under Nazi dominion. That's the American way: liberty for each to worship God in his own way. That is one of the reasons why our men are fighting—and one more reason why we must buy War Bonds to the limit to keep them winning.

quirements for meat. The "red market" is the practice of collecting red points and stamps for meat which is point-free. Now, however, the grade mark will be stamped on every second or third chop and on almost any piece of roasting or boiling meat weighing more than a few pounds. Red points may be collected only for grades AA (choice), A (good), and B (commercial), Grades C and D are point-free.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Catherine Parry of Niles wishes to express her sincere thanks and gratitude to all of her friends for their kind expressions of sympathy and gifts extended to her during her recent illness. She also wishes to wish each and every one of them a very happy Christmas and a joyful and prosperous New Year.

California has the largest motor vehicle registration of all the states.

HARK, THE ANGEL VOICES!

May the sweet old Christmas story bring to you this year a deeper meaning... a larger store of its joy and peace and gladness than it ever has before.

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DAVE ROSEKRANS,
Proprietor



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OF THOUSANDS OF
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All you do is arrange to save a regular sum weekly... from 50c up. Then, next December 1, you will share in Bank of America's great Christmas Club check distribution. You can save any amount from \$25 up, and Bank of America will pay regular interest on your completed account. This is a sure way to have money for Christmas, taxes, life insurance premiums, or for any other purpose.

Here is a suggestion for your Christmas gift list. Give someone a BANK OF AMERICA CHRISTMAS MONEY ORDER. Obtainable at any branch. 15¢ each. Payable anywhere.

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A CHRISTMAS TREE

By ELIZABETH HASKELL SLOAN

There was a beautiful Christmas tree on the stage at the Country Club's last meeting, December 12. It fascinated me, for on it was a long string of white popcorn. I almost lost the rest of the program, for that string of popcorn carried me back to a childhood scene.

It was in a little Indiana town near the Wabash River. Lots of trees grew near that river, but not of the Christmas tree variety, those had to be imported from the far north. Each year a nice big one was set up in the church, and how we revelled in stringing popcorn for it, making bright paper chains, etc. We always did this in the church itself so that we could watch as the tree was decorated, and get the delicious piny smell, and be fascinated by the beauty of it.

But one year, for some reason, there was no tree. We were bitterly disappointed. Effie and I decided we would have a tree of our own.

We couldn't find an evergreen—there was none to be had—so we took just a bare branch from a tree. We set it up in the corner of the living room, and did our best to make it look like the real thing.

How we worked. We popped the corn and strung it; we made the colored paper chains, and we hung bright red apples on it. We did more. We sort of glorified that tree, and it was a bond between Effie and me at Christmas time as long as she lived.

The little play given by the drama section of the club should have had the title of "Passing the Baby." The baby was a darling, and one marvelled at its good nature while being passed from one to another so rapidly and without too much care in handling. The

play was clever and drew many good laughs, but in a way it was sad. Each passing was done for purely selfish reasons. It made me think of the babe whose birth we celebrate on the 25th of this month.

In Bethlehem of Judea was that Babe born. It was not wanted, either. The inn had no room for its mother. The authorities tried to kill it, and only the shepherds and the wise men knew and loved it. But it was God's Son, sent to a sin-sick world, much like today. Such an event could not be lightly passed over.

Let us look for a minute at the scene as portrayed by St. Mark and try to picture it for ourselves:

"And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night."

The climate of Palestine is much like that of California. Clear, cool, starlit nights—and a group of men watching their flocks, perhaps by a little fire which would serve the purpose of giving them warmth and warn away prowling beasts. They would be discussing the heavy taxes of their time, much as we do today, but all of a sudden a great light "shone round about them; and they were sore afraid."

"And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to ALL people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you, Ye shall find the

MISSION SAN JOSE

LOIS JUSTUS, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. William Mulcahy of Texas, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Bunting of the Mission Hereford Ranch, along with their family are spending the Christmas and New Year's holidays here.

Glenn Bottenberg, A.M.M. 2/c, who has just returned from 20 months on the Beberdies, was entertained at a birthday dinner party at the home of Grace Mey-

babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

"And suddenly here was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

The story of the wise men and their gifts was another strange happening. Men who came from the far corners of the earth, guided only by a star. The mystery of this event has intrigued many men in many lands. The one portrayed by Lew Wallace in his story "Ben Hur" comes to mind always when I think of it.

Soon now by the magic of radio we will be hearing the grand and beautiful Christmas music; hearing Handel's great oratorio, "The Messiah," with those wonderful choruses—"For unto you a child is born . . ."—and the "Hallelujah" so often sung by itself for its sheer beauty.

We have not lost all of the message of Christ's birth, nor all of the great revelation of eternal truth which He brought to man. But so often we pass him on to the other fellow, just as the ladies in the play did the baby, because it inconveniences us although it is good for him.

We do in some fashion follow the wise men too and give gifts. But even here commercialization has crept in, and many gifts are not given in the right spirit. So often it is not in the spirit of the Babe whose birthday we celebrate; it is not to the glory of God; it is not to peace on earth. But it is for our own personal good will.

We get a blessing out of our giving in proportion to the right spirit in which we give. In the present awful condition of this world, we need all of the sweetness and light we can get, and we can be peculiarly thankful that even with all of its commercialization we do have the atmosphere of this season, and no matter how rich or poor, how high or low we may be, we are not able to pass it by without some effort to celebrate it.

Thank God for Christmas, and with Tiny Tim we say, "God bless us every one."

ers and family. Lois Justus and Josephine Fernandez also attended. Bottenberg left Friday for his home in McMinnville, Oregon, to spend the holidays. He will be stationed at Seattle after January 15.

Tony B. Rogers, who up until recently was one of Uncle Sam's Army boys, has returned to his home with a medical discharge. Tony underwent a serious kidney operation some time back and has not fully recovered. He is at the family home here with his sister, Edith, and Mrs. Eddie Rogers and family.

Pvt. Danny Silva of the U. S. Marines has finished his boot training at San Diego and came home to spend a 10-day furlough with Mrs. Rose Recend and family, where he made his home before enlisting. He and Bert Justus went to Oakland Sunday skating and visited friends there over Monday. He leaves on Wednesday for his base.

The busses out of the Mission have been filled to capacity because the girls of St. Mary of the Palms are all going home for the Christmas holidays. Their school

Mr. Lawrence Rogers, who has been at the Livermore Rest Home for a number of weeks, returned to his home here one day last week.

Cpl. Joseph Azeveda, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Azeveda of the Niles-Mission highway, has been home for a short furlough. He returns to his camp on Wednesday.

will again open on Tuesday, January 2. The Mission Grammar School closed Wednesday afternoon and will reopen also on January 2.

George Enos of the U. S. Navy, now stationed at Treasure Island, spent Sunday at the home of his brother, Thomas Semas, and family.

Donald Bettencourt fell the other day and sustained a very serious cut on his arm and was taken to the doctor for stitches.

Rev. Hugh Ryan, pastor at the Dominican convent, has been confined to his home and bed for some time now. Rev. McKeon is assisting him during his illness.

Last week Joseph Borge was taken to the San Jose Hospital

where he was given a blood transfusion. He will be at home for about a month to convalesce and then will undergo a major operation. It was about a year ago that he underwent an appendectomy and this is causing his present trouble.

Miss Eda Beronio returned from Santa Barbara and Los Angeles last week after spending several weeks there visiting friends and relatives.

Cadet Nurse Margaret Parks of the Franklin Hospital in San Francisco was a week-end guest at the home of Miss Lottie and Annie Untiedt. She returned to duty Sunday evening.

REBEKAHS TO MEET ON JANUARY 5th

The next regular meeting of the Niles Rebekahs will be held January 5 at the Odd Fellows Hall in Niles. The social hour and refreshments are in charge of Jennie Mohn, Ann Arington and Virginia Yarbrough.

During the business part of the meeting, plans will be made for installation ceremonies to be held January 19, according to Iva Marble, Noble Grand.

CHRISTMAS MASSES AT CORPUS CHRISTI

The beautiful Christmas Feast will be observe dat Corpus Christi Church with three masses, 7 a.m., 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m.

The traditional Christmas music so expressive of our devotion to the Infant Savior will be rendered at all three Masses by the parish choir, under the direction of Mrs. C. S. Crane, organist.

There will also be a Christmas program at Decoto at which the choir will sing under the direction of Miss Margaret Wilhams, at 8:30 p. m.

The elk ranges only a daily average of one-half mile.



Christmas trees are again gleaming in the windows.

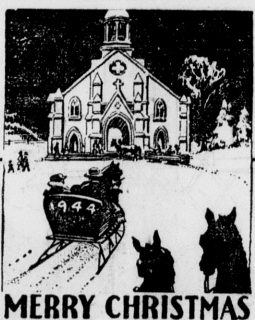
Just about time for us to be thinking of how much we are indebted to you.

And just about time for us to call upon two little words that carry more cheer and good will than all the big words that have ever been coined—

Merry Christmas

CHARLES WAUHAB
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May this Christmas season of 1944 be an especially happy one for you.

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THAT clatter out on the porch means Santa Claus . . . or maybe it's only Uncle Joe in his annual role of St. Nicholas.

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General Contractor



CHRISTMAS AGAIN!



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SATURDAY

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Tex O'Brien - James Newill
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Screeno - Serial - Cartoon

SUNDAY - MONDAY

DANNY KAYE
UP IN ARMS
JOE E. BROWN
DARING YOUNG MAN
News and Speaking Animals

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY
RONALD COLMAN
LOST HORIZON
Phil Baker - Edward Ryan
TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT
COMEDY

THURSDAY

Robert Lowery - Ellen Drew
PARK MOUNTAIN
HENRY ARMETTA
CAUGHT IN THE ACT
News - Cartoon - Short



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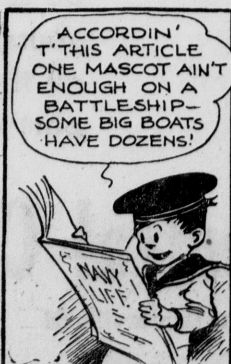
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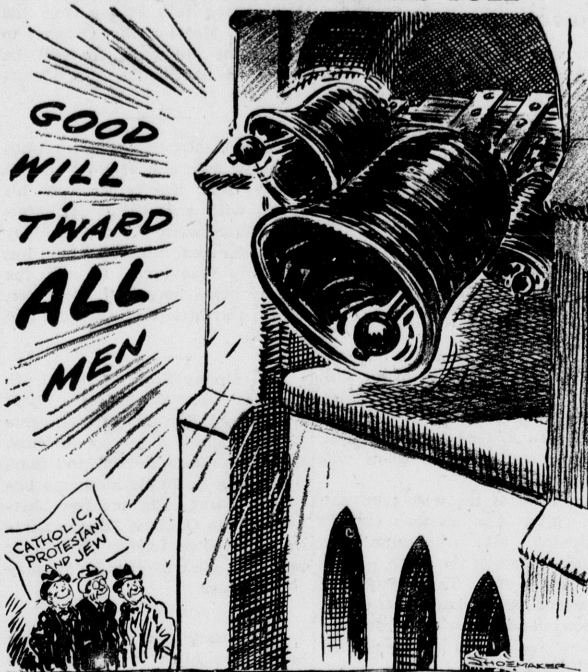
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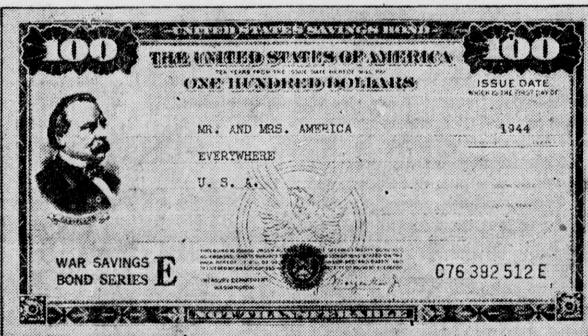
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The faculty of Washington Union High School entertained the parents of the High School P.T.A. last Thursday evening, Dec. 14, by giving a most enjoyable Christmas party.

Delicious refreshments were served and gifts were distributed to each person attending. There was community singing—songs that stirred the Christmas spirit—and Christmas carols sung by a quartet composed of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Thornburg, Mr. Hird and Mrs. Doris Van Scoy. Accompanist was Mrs. Donald Hegen.

Mrs. Doane related a Christmas story taken from the old Jewish legends. Coach Hird was chairman of the evening.

Preceding the party, Mrs. Calhoun, president, held a short meeting of the P.T.A. unit. Plans for the football dinner will be definitely laid the first part of January. Fifteen new members were secured through the efforts of Miss Knoles and her students.

Stressing the home as taking the lead in spiritual development of the child, Rev. Philip Evald of the Irvington Community Church and speaker of the evening, chose as his subject "Opportunities for Spiritual Growth in Our Towns."

There were 1,002,000 more persons employed in government work in the United States in 1943 than in 1939.

Amador county produced 105,815 net tons of pottery clay worth \$236,396 in 1943.

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HAIR STYLIST



Christmas
is made in the KITCHEN

How very true it is this year that the most satisfying joys of Christmas will be made in the kitchen. From your faithful kitchen range you will bring forth a golden turkey, pies fit for a king or cakes you will regally cover in velvety frosting.

Is your kitchen equipment serviced up for active holiday duty? Clean up—tighten up—oil up your kitchen servants now. Your Christmas will probably be merrier and more carefree if you do.

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Merry Christmas 1944

"...and on earth peace, good will towards men."

And to each of you who read this message that enraptured happiness which comes only at CHRISTMASTIME

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